GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3880
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2000
HNLF ACTIVITIES
SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the underground Hynniewtrep National Liberation Front of Meghalaya has intensified their activities in the State ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Government of Meghalaya has initiated the process to ban the underground HNLF; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a) and (b): The violence by Hynniewtrep National Liberation Council (HNLC) has registered an increase in 1999 with 10 persons, including 2 police personnel, killed in 17 incidents of violence as against 10 incidents (2 civilians killed) in 1997 and 3 incidents (1 civilian killed) in 1998. During the current year, so far (March 31), it has indulged in 3 incidents, involving 2 killing (including 1 police personnel). HNLC also indulges in extortions mainly from non-tribal businessmen of Shillong.

(c): The Government of Meghalaya has made a request to Government of India to ban the HNLC under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

(d): At present, Government of India are not in favour of banning the HNLC.